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1 7. (new) A combination pack and hunting blind, comprising:

2       a) a pack; and

3       b) a hunting blind;

4       wherein said hunting blind has a stowed position;

5       wherein said hunting blind has a deployed position;

6       wherein said pack has a first surface;

7       wherein said first surface of said pack has an open position;

8       wherein said hunting blind is housed in said pack when said hunting blind is in said stowed position thereof;

9       wherein said hunting blind is deployed from said pack when said hunting blind is in said deployed position thereof;

10      wherein said first surface of said pack depends from said pack when said first surface of said pack is in said open position thereof; and

11      wherein said hunting blind extends from said pack and said first surface of said pack.

1 8. (new) The combination as defined in claim 7; further comprising first means;

2       and

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wherein said first means is for detachably securing said pack to a tree stand to hang in a substantially vertical position when said combination pack and hunting blind is used with a tree stand.

9. (new) The combination as defined in claim 7; further comprising at least one carrying strap;

wherein said at least one carrying strap is disposed on said pack; and  
wherein said at least one carrying strap is for use in carrying said combination pack and hunting blind.

10. (new) The combination as defined in claim 7; further comprising second means; and

wherein said second means is for detachably securing said hunting blind to a tree stand in a substantially vertical position when said combination pack and hunting blind is used with a tree stand, said first surface is in said open position thereof, and said hunting blind is in said deployed position thereof.

11. (new) The combination as defined in claim 7, wherein said pack is a backpack.

12. (new) The combination as defined in claim 7, wherein said pack has a rear surface; and

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wherein said first surface of said pack is said rear surface of said pack.

13. (new) The combination as defined in claim 8, wherein said pack has a second surface; and

wherein said first means is disposed on said second surface of said pack.

14. (new) The combination as defined in claim 13, wherein said pack has a top surface; and

wherein said second surface of said pack is said top surface of said pack.

15. (new) The combination as defined in claim 9, wherein said pack has a third surface; and

wherein said at least one carrying strap is disposed on said third surface of said pack.

16. (new) The combination as defined in claim 15, wherein said third surface of said pack is said first surface of said pack; and

wherein said at least one carrying strap is a pair of shoulder straps.

17. (new) The combination as defined in claim 8, wherein said first means includes at least one loop.

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18. (new) The combination as defined in claim 17, wherein said at least one loop of said first means is at least one strap.
19. (new) The combination as defined in claim 10, wherein said second means includes at least one loop.
20. (new) The combination as defined in claim 19, wherein said at least one loop of said second means is at least one strap.
21. (new) The combination as defined in claim 7, wherein said hunting blind is made of a thin, flexible material which is easily wrapped and folded so as to be easily stowed inside said pack when said hunting blind is in said stowed position thereof.
22. (new) The combination as defined in claim 7, wherein said hunting blind is secured to said pack and said first surface of said pack so as to allow said hunting blind to extend substantially said height of said pack and substantially said height of said first surface of said pack when said first surface of said pack is in said open position thereof and said hunting blind is in said deployed position thereof.

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23. (new) The combination as defined in claim 7; further comprising at least one pocket; and

wherein said at least one pocket is disposed on said pack.

24. (new) The combination as defined in claim 23, wherein said at least one pocket is located on a surface of said pack that is only visible when said first surface of said pack is in said open position thereof and said hunting blind is in said deployed position thereof.

25. (new) The combination as defined in claim 8, wherein said first means includes third means for detachably fastening said first means.

26. (new) The combination as defined in claim 25, wherein said third means is selected from the group consisting of buckles, D-rings, snaps, hook and loop fasteners, buttons, and ties.



27. (new) The combination as defined in claim 10, wherein said second means includes fourth means for detachably fastening said second means.

28. (new) The combination as defined in claim 27, wherein said fourth means is selected from the group consisting of buckles, D-rings, snaps, hook and loop fasteners, buttons, and ties.

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29. (new) The combination as defined in claim 14, wherein said pack has an interior; and wherein said interior of said pack is accessible when said hunting blind is in said deployed position thereof.
30. (new) The combination as defined in claim 1, wherein said first surface of said back is detachable secured to said pack by a zipper.
31. (new) The combination as defined in claim 1, wherein said hunting blind extends from both sides of said pack when said hunting blind is in said deployed position thereof.
32. (new) The combination as defined in claim 1, wherein said hunting blind extends from both sides of said first surface of said pack when said hunting blind is in said deployed position thereof.
33. (new) The combination as defined in claim 1, wherein said hunting blind is secured to both sides of said pack; and wherein said hunting blind is secured to both sides of said first surface of said pack.

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34. (new) The combination as defined in claim 23, wherein said at least one pocket, when more than one pocket, are of various shapes and sizes.

35. (new) The combination as defined in claim 23, wherein wherein said at least one pocket is an accordion style pocket.

36. (new) The combination as defined in claim 29, wherein said interior of said pack is accessible from said top surface of said pack.

37. (new) The combination as defined in claim 36, wherein said top surface of said pack has a zipper; and  
wherein said interior of said pack is accessible from said zipper of said top surface of said pack.

38. (new) The combination as defined in claim 1, wherein said pack is made from a water repellent material;  
wherein said pack is made from a water proof material;  
wherein said hunting blind is made from a water repellent material; and  
wherein said hunting blind is made from a water proof material.

39. (new) The combination as defined in claim 1, wherein said pack is made from a material which does not produce excessive noise when said pack is opened, closed, or impacted upon; and wherein said hunting blind is made from a material which does not produce excessive noise when said hunting blind is deployed, stowed, or impacted upon.
40. (new) The combination as defined in claim 1, wherein said pack has at least one of a pattern and a coloration; wherein said pack has exposed surfaces; wherein said at least one of said pattern and said coloration of said pack is on said exposed surfaces of said pack for blending into the environment where said pack is to be used; wherein said hunting blind has at least one of a pattern and a coloration; wherein said hunting blind has exposed surfaces; wherein said at least one of said pattern and said coloration of said hunting blind is on said exposed surfaces of said hunting blind for blending into the environment where said hunting blind is to be used.
41. (new) The combination as defined in claim 40, wherein said pattern is a camouflage pattern.

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42. (new) The combination as defined in claim 19, wherein said at least one loop of said second means, when more than one loop, are spaced-apart from each other.
43. (new) The combination as defined in claim 1, wherein said hunting blind is detachably secured to said pack and to said first surface of said pack so as to allow said hunting blind to be removed from said pack and said first surface of said pack when not needed or for repair, replacement, or exchange.
44. (new) The combination as defined in claim 1; further comprising fifth means; and wherein said fifth means is for detachably securing said hunting blind to said pack and to said first surface of said pack.
45. (new) The combination as defined in claim 44, wherein said fifth means is selected from the group consisting of a zipper, buckles, D-rings, snaps, hook and loop fasteners, buttons, and ties.
46. (new) The combination as defined in claim 1, wherein said pack has a height; wherein said first surface of said pack has a height; and

wherein said hunting blind extends substantially said height of said pack and substantially said height of said first surface of said pack when said first surface of said pack is in said open position thereof and said hunting blind is in said deployed position thereof.